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HEAD OFFICE.—14, Rue Bergère, Paris.
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HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balances, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CH. DE GUIGNÉ,

Manager.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, JAMES GREIG, Esq.
Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
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JAMES GREIG,

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Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, February 17, 1876.

ON SALE.

THE

CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary References.

BY

WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYERS.

Price, \$5.

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Hongkong, "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I Have this day authorized Mr J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procura-tion.
A. MACG. HEATON.
Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Ship-brokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.
E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Haiphong and Hanot. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign by procura-tion in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day Established myself as GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT at the Ports of Takow and Taiwanfo.
P. F. DA SILVA.
Formosa, April 1, 1876.

Intimations.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

DURING my absence from Hongkong, the MANAGEMENT of the above Company's Station will be TAKEN OVER by Mr C. C. BOJESON, who has been appointed ACTING SUPERINTENDENT.

A. SUENSON,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

I BEG to notify that I have been appointed ACTING SUPERINTENDENT for the above Company's Station at this Port from this date.
CARL CHR. BOJESON.
Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, marked on the covers, "Tenders for Army Contracts," will be Received by the Undersigned until Noon on MONDAY, the 10th Instant, for the undermentioned Services required by the War Department here during the year ending 31st March, 1877.

1.—Cleaning the Nullah on the East side of Murray Barracks.
2.—Cleaning, and keeping the Nullah on the East side of the North Barracks clear from all obstructions.

There will be a separate Tender for each service.

No Tender will be accepted from any person in Government employ.

Terms of Tender and all necessary information can be obtained at this Office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

C. R. SHERVINGTON,
Lieut. Colonel,
Assistant Commissary General.

CHORAL FESTIVAL will be held in S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL on WEDNESDAY, at 4 p.m.

Mendelssohn's Cantata "Lauda Sion" will be Sung.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

FIRST Class Fare on the Hongkong and Canton route has been Reduced to \$3 for Single trip and \$5 Return.

By Order,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 3, 1876.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL AGENCY of the Company has been Opened in LONDON, under the Management of Mr WALTER F. SCHMIDT, at 8, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.

By Order,
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

SPANISH CONSULATE, HONGKONG.

TENDERS for the CONSTRUCTION of SIX BOILERS for Spanish Men-of-War will be RECEIVED at this Consulate until the 22nd April next, at Noon.

No proposition will be admitted if it exceed the price fixed by Government and do not agree with the Form, Conditions, and Plans, which will be exposed at the Office of the Consulate every working day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A. FARAUO,
Consul for Spain.

Hongkong, March 31, 1876.

Intimations.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all CREDITORS and other Persons having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JOHN WOTHER-SPOON, late of Bangkok, in the Kingdom of Siam, who died on the 6th day of July, 1871, and whose Will was duly proved in the Probate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of Hongkong by WILLIAM HENRY BREKERTON, of 29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, Solicitor, to whom Letters of Administration with the Will annexed were duly granted by the said Court on the 10th day of March, 1876, are hereby required to SEND in writing the PARTICULARS of their Claims or Demands to the said WILLIAM HENRY BREKERTON, on or before the 1st day of July next; and notice is hereby also given, that at the expiration of the last mentioned day the said WILLIAM HENRY BREKERTON will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said JOHN WOTHER-SPOON amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which he has then had notice; and that the said WILLIAM HENRY BREKERTON will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose Claims he has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1876.

W. H. BREKERTON,
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
Solicitor.

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

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ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

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ADAMSON, BELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE Undermentioned valuable LAND and BUILDINGS on Island Lot No. 7, situated at 46 and 48, Queen's Road, the Property of the late Mr G. B. FALCONER.

THE TWO BLOCKS OF BUILDINGS occupying the finest position, are of the most commodious description, with Terrace and ample Gardens; the Ground Floors are of Granite, the Buildings are known to be the most handsome and substantially built Premises in the Colony, and are all in perfect condition and good order, &c.

Applications for Purchase, or further information, to be made to

JOHN NOBLE,
46, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

FOR SALE.

THE WORLD, WHEN COMETH IT? Or, What Certain Physicians are Saying. By Tu Quoque. Shanghai, 1876. 1 Vol.

Price—\$1.00 Stithed.
\$1.25 Bound.

Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

FOR SALE.

200 Casks CLARET from BORDEAUX. Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

FOR SALE.

THE whole of the Property known as FLETCHER'S, Situate on Marine Lots Nos. 20 and 21, and covering an area of 121,304 square feet.

Annual Crown Rent about \$1,900.
Taxes " " 1,900.

For further information, apply to

THE BORNEO CO., LIMITED,
Hongkong, April 4, 1876.

FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG:—
INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House and Office lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$390.48.

MARINE LOT 111, WANGHAI.—First-class and extensive Godown.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.

AT YOKOHAMA:—

LOTS No. 6 AND No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Out-houses. Area 1,064 Taubos of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.79.

No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Flax Press, Compressor's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 564 Taubos.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.

Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

J. WHITTALL,
T. G. LINSTED,
Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate,
23, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

FOR SALE.

THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked SALMON.

Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA FLOUR in Barrels and Tins.

MAOWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA," Captain NORDSTEDT, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on SATURDAY, at 8 a.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "GRANDE," Captain RAPIN, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, at 2 p.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW. The Steamship "YESSO," Captain PURCHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 9th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO & PORTS IN JAPAN.

The Company's Steamship "AGAMEMNON," will be despatched on or about the 9th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The Steamship "QUANGSE," Captain JONES, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 12th Proximo, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off SOMERSET, COOKTOWN, OZBURN BAY, BOWEN and KETTER BAY, to land Mails and Passengers.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamship "BOWEN," will be despatched as above about the 20th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 31, 1876.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIBRE," Captain DE GERARD, expected from Singapore, will leave for YOKOHAMA shortly after her arrival.

For Passage and Freight, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

The British Steamship "ORCHIS," Captain BUTLER, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

WM. POSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to HIOGO & NAGASAKI.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S.S. "MALACCA,"

will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the Gwalior with the next English Mail.

A. MOIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 30, 1876.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S.S. "GUALIOR,"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail.

A. MOIVER,
Superintendent.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE S. S. *Stad Amsterdam*, Captain Book, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to take immediate delivery of the same, otherwise it will be landed and stored at their risk and expense by the Undersigned.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Agents S. S. *Stad Amsterdam*.
Hongkong, April 3, 1876.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glenartney* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and where delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before Noon to-morrow, the 4th Inst. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 10th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents S. S. *Glenartney*.
Hongkong, April 3, 1876. ap10

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Argyll* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading for countersignature to the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, April 4, 1876.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Goods by the above Steamer are hereby notified, that their Cargo is being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods remaining in store after the 10th Instant will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless applied for by the Consignees before 2 p.m. on Monday, the 3rd Inst. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 3, 1876. ap10

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE British S. S. *Hindustan* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees are hereby informed that the General Cargo will be landed by, and into the Godowns of the Undersigned at Wanchi, whence delivery can be obtained on and after the 6th instant.

Goods remaining in store after the 12th Instant will be subject to rent. Consignees of Opium are requested to take delivery from the boats alongside the Ice House Street Wharf, otherwise the Drug will be stored by the Undersigned at Consignees' risk, unprotected by Fire Insurance.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 4, 1876. ap12

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. *IRAOUADY*.

NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Indus*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained from FRIDAY, the 7th Instant, at 10 a.m.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before Noon to-morrow, the 7th Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Friday, the 14th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876. ap14

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer *Tigre* from Calcutta are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Boats and landed at the Company's Godowns. In both cases it will be at the Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery shortly after her arrival.

The above Steamer left Singapore on Saturday, 1st April, for this port. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 5, 1876.

DUO DE MONTEBELLO CANTRE.

BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.
Quarts, \$18 per case (1 dozen).
Pints, \$18 " " " " " "
5 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKY.
\$12 per case (1 dozen).

For Sale by HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1876. tf.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO, The Steamer "NAPLES" will shortly from Singapore, will receive prompt despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, April 7, 1876.

To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship "NESTOR" will be despatched on or about the 20th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, April 7, 1876. ap20

S. S. *ORCHIS*, FROM LONDON VIA SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby notified, that their Cargo is being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take their Goods from the boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. POSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 7, 1876. ap15

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 7, *Orchis*, British steamer, 1137, Baitin, London Feb. 11, via ports of call, and Singapore Mar. 31, General.—Wm. Postau & Co.

April 7, *Topaze*, British frigate, 2650, 23 guns, 600 h.p., Arthur T. Thrupp, Singapore Mar. 21.

April 7, *Narcissus*, British frigate, 3548, 26 guns, 400 h.p., Lord Chas. Scott, Singapore Mar. 21.

April 7, *Newcastle*, British frigate, 3035, 22 guns, 600 h.p., R. Gordon Douglas, Singapore Mar. 21.

April 7, *Immortal*, Brit. frigate, 3039, 26 guns, 800 h.p., Francis A. Hume, Singapore Mar. 21.

April 7, *Cheops*, British steamer, 953, J. L. Dryden, Saigon Apr. 1, Rieu.—Ginniss.

DEPARTURES.

April 7, *Killarney*, for S'pore and Penang.

1, *Pardo*, for Saigon.

1, *Patroclus*, for London.

1, *Yangtze*, for Shanghai.

1, *Ariadne*, for a cruise.

CLEARED.

Glamis Castle, for Saigon.

Lathley Rich, for San Francisco.

Rajah, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.—Per *Orchis*, 60 Chinese.

DEPARTED.—Per *Yangtze*, 2 cabin.

Per *Killarney*, 330 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Orchis* reports: from Singapore first part of passage fine weather, latterly strong N.E. and thick weather, with heavy head sea.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—

For YOKOHAMA.—

Per French Mail Packet *VOLGA*, at 8.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 8th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per French Mail Packet *SINDH*, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, the 8th Inst.

Late Letters from 1.10 to 1.30 p.m.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—

Per *YASSO*, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 8th Inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *COLORDADO*, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 15th Inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American

Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U.S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents).

The following are the charges on Correspondence thus sent:—

Par half ounce.

Hongkong to U.S. 8 cents.

U.S. to Hongkong 8 cents.

Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, Bermuda, Bogota, Carthage, Costa Rica, Cuba, Curacao, Fiji, Greenland, Jamaica, New Granada, Nicaragua, Panama, West Indies, &c. &c. 8

Hawaii, Newfoundland, &c. 8

Guatemala, Mexico, Salvador, Venezuela, &c. 10

Batavia, Bencoolen, Bonaire, Cayman, Grenada, Guadeloupe, St. Martin, St. Thomas, &c. 18

Brasilia, Ecuador, Haiti, Peru, Bolivia, Argentina, Chile, &c. 17

Los Ayres, Paraguay, &c. 28

Newspapers (not over 4 oz.) 2

Books, &c., per 4 oz. 4

Any articles found enclosed in Newspapers or Book Packets (as silk, watches, jewellery, &c.) will be detained.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, April 6, 1876. ap18

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—

For SAN FRANCISCO.—

Per *LORD OF THE ISLES*, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 8th Instant.

For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO.—

Per *QUANGSI*, at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 12th April.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet *GEELONG*, will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 13th April.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 12th April.

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 13th April.

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m. Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore may be posted on board the Packet on payment of a Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage.

11.50 a.m. Posting on Board ceases.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, March 30, 1876. ap18

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *IRAOUADY*, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 20th Inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom via Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singapore, Galle, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suva, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 18th Inst.—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 20th Inst.—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

ALFRED LISTER, Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, April 6, 1876. ap20

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, April 9:—

Daylight.—Yesso leaves for Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.

Agamemnon leaves for Shanghai on or about this date.

MONDAY, April 10:—

Noon.—Tenders for Army Contracts received by the Assistant Commissary General.

1 p.m.—Sale of Bulk, Machinery, Rigging, &c., of Gunboat *Carnegie* at Macao.

Goods per *Olympia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Glenartney* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, April 12:—

2 p.m.—*Quangsi* leaves for San Francisco.

Goods per *Hindustan* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, April 13:—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

4.30 p.m.—Meeting of the Hongkong Club at Club House.

FRIDAY, April 14:—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Goods per *Iravaddy* undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

SATURDAY, April 15:—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Goods per *Orchis* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, April 18:—

4 p.m.—Choral Festival at Cathedral.

THURSDAY, April 20:—

Nestor leaves for London on or about this date.

Bowen leaves for Singapore, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne about this date.

SATURDAY, April 22:—

Noon.—Tenders received at Spanish Consulate for construction of Six Boilers.

Claims against the Estate of Captain Lawrence Young, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.

SUNDAY, April 30:—

Claims against the Estate of George Barry Falconer, deceased, must be sent in on or before this date.

MONDAY, May 1:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer *Gaib* leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, June 30:—

Claims against the Estate of Dietherich Helmscholt, Quisno Antonio Gutierrez, Martin Carroll, Dora Howard, and Henry Roberts deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

MONDAY, July 31:—

Claims against the Estates of Gustav Thibler, Edward Parker, Edward Richard, and Andy, Kwong Thau, Lam Kok Cheong, Lee Ah Yon, Leung Sew Fan, Man Chay, and a Chinaman, names unknown, No. 11, deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

9 a.m.—*Volga* leaves for Yokohama.

2 p.m.—*Sindh* leaves for Shanghai.

TO ADVERTISERS.

It is requested that all advertisements be sent, when practicable, by 4 p.m., to allow of the early issue of the paper.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.35 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 1876.

A REUTER'S telegram has been received from London to-day stating "Great excitement in California against the influx of Chinese, which is increasing; Congress has requested President Grant to negotiate with China to modify the treaty, making it a treaty of commerce only."

This is an important confirmation of the telegrams received by the Committee of the Tung Wah Hospital. In commenting upon these telegrams yesterday we remarked that if some improvement did not take place in regard to the position of the Chinese in California it was advisable that the Senate of the United States should take the matter up, and it is satisfactory to note in the telegram to-day that there is a probability of this being done. Whether a modification in the American Treaty with China in the shape of reducing it to a mere Treaty of Commerce, is the best course to adopt, is a very doubtful question. If there is no room in California for the Chinese there is a splendid field open for them in the Southern States. There Chinese labour would be welcomed. It is also well known that the existence of the Chinese guilds in San Francisco has a great deal to do with the antagonistic feeling of the people in that City to the Chinese; while there can be no question that the frequent clan fights tend to induce a strong distaste for such turbulent citizens on the part of unfriendly Americans, and give a handle for harsh measures.

The "Celestial" quietly submits to have his junk over-hauled and perhaps seized, by the Revenue Cruiser, but such a proceeding will not suit the Englishman. A telegram informs us that a few days ago a Spanish Coast Guard Cruiser seized an English trading vessel near Gibraltar. The crew of the merchant vessel, however, turned the tables on the Spaniards, and making prisoners of the "Prize crew" took them and the ship safely into the harbour. We cannot, for the sake of peace and order only, advise the junkmen hereabouts to go and do likewise, but certainly it is often their own fault that they don't.

The proposed Channel Tunnel is a subject of considerable interest to every European whether he is living in the West or even in the far East. Few English, French or German residents in this Colony contemplate spending the whole of the remainder of their life here, and if the Tunnel is completed before we throw off "this mortal coil" we hope to have a run through it. It appears that the project, which at one time most people thought was almost a chimera, is steadily approaching tangibility. A Company, as is well known, has been formed for carrying out the work, the capital has been subscribed, plans have been decided on, and experiments have been made. One of the chief difficulties in the matter was to arrange international regulations for the Tunnel, but an International Tribunal has been appointed for this purpose, and it is hoped the whole affair will now go on smoothly.

When the Yunnan Mission was first proposed, there is not the least doubt that the project of sending two or three Englishmen upon such a journey as the one contemplated was viewed with very considerable apprehension, and not without good reason. The route of the travellers lay right through the heart of China, and into a country whose inhabitants had just exhibited their intense dislike of the foreigner by murdering poor Margary, and attacking his companions. They were also going among these people upon a mission of vengeance, and when to these considerations is added the fact that much doubt existed as to the extent of the power exercised by the Chinese Government in Yunnan and the adjoining provinces, it will be admitted that there were excellent grounds for distrust as to the safety of the members of the party. This apprehension did not abate after the Mission left for its destination, and news has been eagerly received of its progress from that time up to the present. Under these circumstances the telegram, which we publish in another column, announcing the arrival of Mr Grosvenor and his companions in Yunnan, will be read with very great satisfaction. They have not yet accomplished half their work, nor are they yet free from danger, but it has been demonstrated by their safe arrival at Yunnan that their peril is not so great as was feared it might be, and they have now, or will shortly be joined by an escort of British troops or their protection.

Judging from the scanty information received of the travellers en route, it would seem that they were entirely unmolested in the course of the journey, which appears on the whole to have been a much more agreeable one, in several ways, than was anticipated. The latest intelligence received of them, previous to the telegram, represented them as relieving the travelling of a little of its tediousness by shooting. Every precaution seems to have been taken by the Chinese Government for their safety, especially on approaching Yunnan, for on reaching this part of the country their escort was joined by another, sent to meet them from Chautung, and the cortege was thus swelled to nearly 1,200 men, of whom, however, about 400 were coolies. No doubt Li-Hung Chang was fully impressed with the fact that an attack on the Mission by the natives would in all probability mean an immediate war with England.

What will be the exact part taken by the Mission in the enquiry has not yet been clearly made known. That its members will act in the capacity of judges at all is not probable, and so far as we can see their duties will mainly consist in attending the enquiry and seeing that justice is done. We should, however, presume that they will be granted the privilege of putting questions to witnesses to clear up points, and to address remarks to the Court. Beyond this they will probably not be permitted to go. It must be more guess-work to say how long the enquiry will last, and when Mr Grosvenor and his companions will be able to set out on their return journey, but fortunately the proceedings in Chinese courts of law and justice do not assume the gigantic proportions they do at Westminster and the Old Bailey, and the members of the Mission need not expect to have their patience very much tried on the occasion. In London the enquiry would probably last six months; in Yunnan it may not last as many days. If we understand aright the party return by way of Burma. They

SUPPLEMENT
TO THE
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 7th APRIL, 1876.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Argyll	5 c	Scott	Brit. str.	1371	April 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore and Calcutta	
Arratoon Apar	4 h	Casa	Brit. str.	959	April 4	Siemssen & Co.	Saigon	
Colorado	3 h	Connolly	Amer. str.	3727	April 6	P. M. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F'isco	With Mails
Danube	2 h	Clanchy	Brit. str.	561	April 4	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Genoa	4 k	Corrigan	Brit. str.	1216	Mar. 25	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saigon	
Hindustan	...	Gardner	Brit. str.	991	April 4	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore and Calcutta	K'long Dock
Lord of the Isles	2 c	Cowie	Brit. str.	1846	Mar. 22	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	9th, daylight
MacGregor	4 c	Grainger	Brit. str.	1413	April 3	Gilman & Co.	Saigon	
Maharajah	5 c	Stephenson	Brit. str.	994	April 2	Siemssen & Co.	Yokohama	With Mails
Malacca	4 k	Shellard	Brit. str.	1046	Mar. 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	
Orchis	5 c	Butlin	Brit. str.	2137	April 7	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Yokohama	
Pawtuxet	4 k	...	Amer. str.	280	June 18	Aug. Heard & Co.	San Francisco	Laid up
Quang-se	4 k	Jones	Brit. str.	1778	April 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Wreck of "Japan"	12th
Rajah	4 c	Hansen	Brit. str.	359	April 6	Hop Hing	Shanghai	To-morrow
Sindh	5 c	Rapatel	Fch. str.	2103	April 6	Messageries Maritimes		
Stad Amsterdam	2 k	Boon	Dut. str.	1728	April 3	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saigon	
Thingvalla	4 h	Mourier	Dan. str.	1677	April 2	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Volga	5 c	Nomdedeu	Fch. str.	930	April 4	Messageries Maritimes	Coast Ports	9th, daylight
Yesso	5 h	Punchard	Brit. str.	559	April 6	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		Repairing.
Yottang	2 h	...	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Asheong		
Sailing Vessels								
Alden Basso	7 c	Noyes	Amer. bk.	842	Mar. 10	Rozario & Co.	Honolulu & S. F'co	
Anna Bella	6 c	Stephen	Brit. bk.	334	Mar. 31	Borneo Company	Vancouver's Island	
Annie Gray	4 c	Moore	Brit. sh.	727	Mar. 9	Rozario & Co.		
Bonito	3 c	Wesenberg	Ger. bk.	542	Mar. 30	Siemssen & Co.		
Bua Cuo	2 h	Lange	Siam. bk.	340	Mar. 7	Chinese	New York	Repairing.
Charter Oak	4 c	Smith	Amer. sh.	963	Nov. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Christina A. P.	8 h	Federico	Amer. sch.	175	Jan. 8	Order		
Christian	4 k	Stehr	Ger. sch.	280	April 2	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	Honolulu	
Colombo	2 c	Heuer	Brit. bk.	364	Feb. 8	Russell & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Edward James	4 c	Forbes	Amer. bk.	529	Mar. 16	Rozario & Co.	Bangkok	
F. H. Drews	7 c	Vorsatz	Ger. bk.	630	Mar. 28	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Vancouver's Island	
Fanny	8 c	Rousal	Fch. sh.	1138	Mar. 8	Landstein & Co.	Formosa	
Forward	3 c	Strachar	Brit. bk.	748	Mar. 8	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Franz	7 c	Hildebrandt	Brit. sch.	148	Dec. 18	Frazar & Co.	Tientsin	
Garibaldi	4 h	Noyes	Amer. bk.	670	Dec. 17	Rozario & Co.	Takao	Coast Docks
Ino	1 k	Bannau	Ger. bk.	353	April 4	Siemssen & Co.		
James Vinicombe	...	McPherson	Brit. sh.	638	Feb. 4	Borneo Company		
John Sverdrup	7 k	Pedersen	Norw. bg.	182	April 6	Captain	San Francisco	
Jonathan Chase	6 k	Curtis	Amer. bk.	693	Mar. 20	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Manila II.	4 k	Gunner	Ger. bk.	515	April 4	Siemssen & Co.	San Francisco	
Margarita	7 h	Owens	Brit. sh.	864	Mar. 17	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Mary Whitridge	3 c	Outler	Amer. sh.	862	Mar. 16	Russell & Co.		
Mina	4 k	Tohren	Ger. bk.	456	April 4	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Newchwang	
Montago	4 k	Griffiths	Brit. bk.	316	Mar. 26	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	Hamburg	
Nicoline	4 c	Ahlmann	Ger. bk.	320	Feb. 14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	
Nightingale	3 c	Palmer	Amer. sh.	722	Mar. 17	Russell & Co.		
Noemi	8 k	Aucam	Fch. bk.	347	Mar. 28	Carlowitz & Co.		
Notre Dame Auxiliatrice	7 h	Jagoret	Fch. bk.	790	Mar. 31	Captain		
Pallas	2 h	Ballebr	Ger. bk.	421	Mar. 25	Siemssen & Co.	Portland (Oregon)	
Samuel G. Reed	3 c	White	Amer. sh.	650	Dec. 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Shalimar	3 k	Cotter	Brit. sh.	1593	Mar. 30	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Sydenham	4 c	Bristow	Brit. sh.	1062	Feb. 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Manila	
Villa de Rivadavia	4 c	Camus	Span. bg.	261	Mar. 17	Brandao & Co.		
Wealthy Pendleton	2 c	Blanchard	Amer. bk.	809	Mar. 30	Captain		
Wm. Phillips	7 c	Heley	Amer. sch.	593	Mar. 10	Eduard Schellhaas & Co.	Bangkok	
WHAMPOA								
Haze	...	Wilkinson	Amer. sh.	664	Mar. 2	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Irene	...	Hansen	Ger. sch.	276	Mar. 28	Carlowitz & Co.	Tientsin	
Marion	...	Howes	Amer. sch.	366	Mar. 24	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
CANTON								
Chinkiang	...	Hogg	Brit. str.	798	April 4	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Yungching	...	Gibbon	Chi. str.	661	April 4	O. M. S. N. Co.		

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Ashuelot	6 h	American	corvette	1100	6	700	Mar. 31	E. O. Matthews
Audacious	6 h	British	iron-clad (flag-ship)	6750	14	800	Feb. 27	Colomb
Flamer	4 k	British	aux. naval hospital	...	...	...	...	D. M. Insp. Gen. Morgan
Frolic	6 h	British	gun vessel	462	4	100	...	C. E. Buckle
Hertha	7 c	German	corvette	2000	19	400	Mar. 31	Thurr
Kestrel	6 h	British	gun vessel	462	4	100	Mar. 15	C. B. Theobald
Lacocheterie	6 k	French	corvette	1710	10	480	April 5	Rennier
Mejane	6 k	British	military hospital	2591	...	...	...	Capt. Becker
Palos	6 c	American	gunboat	305	...	...	Mar. 28	W. R. Bridgeman
Thistle	6 h	British	gun vessel	464	...	...	Feb. 27	Francis Stirling
Victor Emanuel	6 h	British	Commodore's flag ship	3087	2	...	...	Commodore Pariah
Vigilant	7 h	British	despatch vessel	650	2	250	Mar. 25	H. C. D. Ryder

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.

April 1, 1876.

Chun Sheng	British steamer
Europe	for Shanghai
Fu Sheng	British steamer
Midge	British gunboat
Wagien	for Newchwang
*Yesso	for Hongkong

SHANGHAI SHIPPING IN HARBOUR.

Mar. 29, 1876.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.	
Aden	Chinese
Atlanta	German
*Chinkiang	British
Fire Queen	American
Formosa	British
Fusiyama	American
Fuyew	Chinese

Geelong	British
Glencarn	British
Hanyang	British
H. C. Orsted	Danish
Hochung	Chinese
Honan	American
*Hoogly	French
Howsang	Chinese
Hupei	American
Lee Yuen	Chinese
Nanking	American
Nestor	British
*Patrolous	British
Plymouth Rock	American
*Quang-se	British
Szechuen	American
Tunain	British

* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Ariel	British barque
Auguste Reimers	German schooner
Ceres	British barque
Ellen Browne	British brig
Elliot	British schooner
Freetrader	British barque
Madame Demoreat	German barqua
Panama	French brig
Parana	British ship
Windhover	

MEN-OF-WAR.

*La Clocheterie	French corvette
Monocacy	American corvette
Surprise	French gunboat
Thalia	British corvette
Yang Woo	Chinese

We learn that the O. & S. S. *Gaelic*, from San Francisco March 16, sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong yesterday (6th) at noon.

By kind permission of Captain Bristow, Divine Service will be held on board the *Sydenham* on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. A launch will go round the harbour to collect those wishing to attend.

Four vessels from the Flying Squadron arrived in port this afternoon about 4.30. They are the *Narcissus* (Flag-ship) 26 guns, Capt. Lord Charles Scott, *Topaze* 23 guns, Capt. Arthur T. Thrupp, *Newcastle* 32 guns, Capt. R. Gordon Douglas, *Immortalité* 26 guns, Capt. Francis A. Hume, and are under the command of Rear Admiral Rowley Lambert, C.B. They should have arrived here last Monday, as on Sunday they had got to within sixty miles of Hongkong, but encountering a strong N. E. gale, they had to stand off again under sail, as they were somewhat short of fuel. They steamed from Singapore until Sunday. They saluted the Admiral (Ryder) as they entered the harbour, which compliment was responded to by H. M. S. *Audacious*.

The following telegrams were published in the *Daily Press* of this morning:

Shanghai, April 6.—The Governor of the Province arrived at Yunnan on the 6th of March. The letter was dated the 10th of March. The Revenue for 1875 was 77½ and the Expenses 76½ millions. The Revenue for 1876 is estimated at 77½ and the Expenses 78 millions. The Income-tax has been increased one penny. There are some exemptions, and the Budget shows a surplus of ½ of a million.

Mr. Caves' report has been published. The Khedive's existing state of affairs is critical; everything is pledged, but if the floating debt is converted and the Revenue is properly managed, it will be sufficient to meet all charges.

The Athletic Sports came off to-day under very favorable circumstances. There was a good sprinkling of ladies on the visitors' stand, and amongst the notables were H. E. the Governor and Miss Kennedy, Gen. Colborne, Sir John and Lady Smale. The military were well represented, and every one appeared prepared to be pleased. The weather was all that could be desired, but owing to the late heavy rains, the ground was rendered rather heavy and slippery. Major Brodigan, 28th, and Major Budgen, R.A., acted as starters; Captain Colomb, R.N., and Lieut.-Col. Hall, R.A., and Lieut.-Col. Dickens, 28th, as judges. The Band of H. M. S. *Audacious* was in attendance, and enlivened the meeting with excellent music.

1.—The first event was 100 yards, Flat Race. Only four ran out of ten entries, the result being:—

- 1, Pt. King.
- 2, Pt. Clark.
- 3, Corp. Grille, R.M.L.I.

2.—In the Second Heat, a Race of 100 yards, the successful competitors came in as follows:—

- 1, Sergt. Stait.
- 2, Simpson.
- 3, R. Ruse, A.D. (H.M.S. *Audacious*).

3.—"Boys' Race—200 yards." There were 6 entries, all of whom ran. The result being:—

- 1, Cornear (*Audacious*).
- 2, Chown (Do.).
- 3, Mathews, 28th Regt.

4th.—440 yds. Flat Race. Five ran, out of 8 entries:—

- 1, Corp. Ricketts (*Audacious*).
- 2, Somerville, 28th Regt.
- 3, T. Nash (R. M. L. I.).

5th.—Second Heat:—

- 1, Sergt. Simpson, 28th. } Dead.
- 2, Corp. Grille, R.M.L.I. } Dead.
- 3, Pte. Harity, 28th.

6th.—Putting the Shot. Eight contestants, the best throw being 24 feet 11½ inches by Bomb. Bass, R.A.

Pte. Quinn and Gunner Berington R.A. both cast 24 feet 10 inches, but upon a second trial, Quinn took second prize.

7th.—100 yards, Flat Race for Officers of the Army and Navy:—

- 1, Lt. Farmer.
- 2, " Walker.

8th.—Long Jump:—

- 1, Pte. Kearns, 28th Regt., 17.6.
- 2, Sergt. Simpson, " 17.4.
- 3, Pte. Hagan, " 15.4.

9th.—One Mile Flat Race:—

- 1, Corp. Ricketts.
- 2, J. Weaver, (*Victor Emanuel*).
- 3, E. Behan, (Do.).

Great amusement was caused in this race by one of the sailors. He took the lead at first, ran himself out the first round, but pertinently kept running with his eyes half closed, although twice passed by Ricketts.

10.—Water Bucket Race:—

- 1, Pte. Nash, 28th.
- 2, Pte. Denery, 28th.
- 3, J. Blackford (*Audacious*).

The first prize in this race was won by Nash, not through running, for he walked to it, but because he brought in most water. The rest being under the impression they had to run.

11.—Mile Flat Race for Soldiers in the Garrison:—

- 1, Corp. Close, 28th.
- 2, Pte. Harity, 28th.
- 3, Pte. Brown, 28th.

Time, 8.00.

12.—120 yds. Hurdle Race, for officers of the Army and Navy, and members of both the English and German Clubs. Nine came to the front out of 20 entries, and some very good jumping was displayed. The hurdles were placed rather close together and all but three competitors came to grief.

1, Lt. Walker.

2, Lt. Farmer.

3, Lt. Barry.

Time, 20 seconds.

13.—Tug of War:—*Audacious* v. 28th Regt. The Regiment here had the advantage, and Jack in spite of his knowledge of ropes had to give in, but was rewarded in the next tussle.

Audacious v. Royal Artillery. They here regained their character to the great discomfiture of the Artillery.

14.—120 yds. Hurdle Race:—

1, Sergt. Simpson, (28th Regt.)

2, J. Quew, (*Audacious*).

3, Corp. Ricketts, R.M.A.

Time, 6 seconds.

15.—Veterans Race, 300 yards, for men over 17 years' service and upwards:—

1, Pte. Massey, (28th Regt.)

2, Lance Corp. Barker, (11th Regt.)

3, W. Adams, (*Audacious*).

Time, 2m. 6 seconds.

16.—120 yds. Hurdle Race.—Five competed and the winners came in as follows:—

1, Private Brion.

2, Sergeant Stait.

Time, 2m. 24 sec.

17.—High Jump. Heaton cleared 4 feet 8, and Teasdale made the next best jump, clearing 4 feet 6 inches.

1, Heaton.

2, Private Teasdale.

18.—Flat Race 880 yards, for officers of the Army and Navy and members of the Hongkong and German Clubs. Only three of the thirteen competitors entered came forward.

1, Mr. A. C. Hunter.

2, Lieut. Walker.

Time, 2 min. 24 sec.

19.—3 Legged Race.—Of the numerous competitors the following came in winners of prizes:—

1, Brown and Kearns.

2, Mason and Brown.

3, Coucher and Bond.

Time, 13½ seconds.

At the close of to-day's programme, Private Harity amused the spectators by a series of tumbling, which displayed considerable flexibility of limb.

CHINESE LITIGANTS.—It was quite a field day for the Mongolians on the 6th instant, at the Adelaide Local Court, where almost every available Chinaman in the city appeared. There was considerable confusion of names as well as of tongues from the extraordinary combinations of Lee-Kings, Kong-Hoons, Hungs, and Hongs, so that learned counsel were amusingly puzzled.

The litigants and their host of witnesses were all "Heathen-Chens," and had to be sworn by means of lighted tapers, and nearly a box of patent safeties must have been used for the purpose, the floor of the witness-box being littered like a lilliputian dinner-table with the debris of the same.

The Celestial mind did not seem to comprehend the intricacies of cross-examination, and there was a good deal of "Me no savvy Inggit all same like that," accompanied by a smile most "childlike and bland" when the opposing counsel rose. Things seemed to be pretty generally mixed up between plaintiff and defendant, who both claimed certain goods, and accused each other of misappropriation.

The clean (7) nice-looking array of Chinese characters in the books and papers produced, though doubtless sufficiently clear to the Celestials, did not enlighten the darkness of the Caucasian Court. However, judgment ultimately went for the plaintiff, who appeared to take less interest in the proceedings than those of his countrymen, who could have no direct interest in the result.

It is fortunate that the Chinese conscience can be satisfied with a lucifer match, at the more imposing mode of taking the oath by breaking a saucer would become expensive in the event of a large number of witnesses having to be examined.—*Adelaide Register*.

(London and China Express.)

The *Salamis*, 2, paddle despatch-vessel, is to be forthwith commissioned at Devonport, with a complement of seventy-four officers and men.

The Challenger arrived at Montevideo on the 17th inst., and will sail again on the 26th inst. for Ascension.

The Admiralty have directed that the *Faen*, sloop, which is fitting out as a surveying-vessel at Chatham dockyard, is to proceed to the East Coast of Africa, instead of China, as was originally intended.

On the promotion of Prince Leiningen, G.C.B., to flag rank, the command of the Royal yacht *Victoria* and *Albert*, it is understood, will be given to Commodore Sir William N. W. Hewitt, K.C.B., now senior officer on the West Coast of Africa, and who is well known on the China station.

Owing to the scarcity of general cargo for the Straits, China and Japan, steamers have to clear without filling up. The *Viking* (str.), which sailed on the 24th inst., took out a quantity of machinery and boilers for Hongkong, also a 20-ton gun. The *Hal-lowsen*, belonging to Messrs John Willis and sons, will be despatched in a week or ten days for Shanghai, direct, with coal and rough cargo. The *Glenartney* (str.), which sailed on the 17th inst. for Shanghai, took out an iron bridge for the Boohow Creek.

Captain Charles Clifford Saxton, Royal (late Madras) Artillery, died on the 20th inst., at the early age of thirty-four. Capt. Saxton, who had only recently taken high honours at the Staff College, joined the Madras Artillery as a second lieutenant in 1859, became first lieutenant the same year, and captain in 1869. He served with the mountain train and rocket battery throughout the China campaign of 1860, and was present at the action of Sihao (medal), and an assistant field engineer with the Abyssinian expeditionary force from the end of December, 1867, to the conclusion of the campaign, and latterly as assistant provost marshal at Senaf, in addition to his other duties (mentioned in despatches, medal).

A Hamburg correspondent says:—Shipping in general since my last report has shown a very lively and satisfactory character, and business in the harbour, being no longer impeded by ice, goes on actively. I have to report but very little as regards our communication with the Far East. It is evident that our

shipowners are at last getting tired of the annually low rates of freight, which are a standing rule now in East India and China, and are no longer inclined to send out their vessels in those directions where the many steamers, each of them doing away with the employment of seven or eight middle-sized sailing vessels, soon will have monopolized all the trade. Of arrivals I have to register the *Solent* (s.s.), Captain Meldrum, from Canton; *Galatea* (s.s.), Captain Bohme (Deutsche Dampfschiffs Rhederei), from China. The departures have been the *Olympus* (s.s.), Captain Nagel (Deutsche Dampfschiffs Rhederei), for China, from here; and *China*, Tangmeyer, for same destination, from Bremen. On the berth are amongst fifty-two vessels, only four for the Far East, viz., the *Galatea* (s.s.), Capt. Bohme; *Goodell*, Capt. Crockett; *Gustav and Marie*, Capt. Dooze; and *Hansa*, Capt. Oost. Rates of the freight 40s. to 45s. and 10 per cent., or 45s. in full for steam; sailing vessels quite nominal.

(Overland Mail.)

A collection of twenty-six Cremona violins, formed by the late Mr. John Thornley, of Preston, has been sold by auction by Messrs. Foster, at Pall Mall. A Nicholas Amati brought 110 guineas; another, by the same maker, 110 guineas; and a Stradivarius, 112 guineas. The whole realised £1,197.

At a meeting held in Manchester the other day it was stated that the various insurance offices in the city and their connections had paid in losses from fires—principally in the cotton trade—during the past year no less a sum than £1,100,000, whilst they had received in premiums only £280,000. A revision of the rate of insurance, which may be to the extent of 40 or 50 per cent., was announced.

The Telegraph Maintenance Company has been informed that the Admiralty will undertake to carry out a fresh line of soundings between Penang and Rangoon, and that a vessel will shortly be ordered to the Straits on this duty. It will be remembered that communication with the Straits Settlements was interrupted shortly after the commencement of the recent war with the Malay, and great inconvenience might have resulted.

Mr. Hardy supposed the case the other night of a naval officer suddenly turning round to a body of slaves, and saying, "Here is a ship of war belonging to England, and if you wish to escape from your masters here is a means of escape," and he said "it had been argued by a great many people that that might fairly be done. Could that be done with any sense of honour or dignity on the part of the British nation?" Surely something very like this has been done whenever an English man-of-war has rescued a batch of slaves from a slave ship, and done with the highest sense of honour and dignity!

A statute was promulgated in Congress at Oxford on Feb. 22 for the appointment of Dr. Legge as Professor of Chinese. The Dean of Christ Church read a letter from Sir Rutherford Alcock, in which he reprobated the University for its past backwardness as regarded Oriental studies, and represented that the opportunity of securing such a man as Dr. Legge was of extremely rare occurrence. He was almost the only person whom Stanislaus Julien would recognise as meriting to be called a Chinese scholar. The Dean further explained the personal character of the professorship, and that the emoluments were contributed by certain London merchants, by Corpus Christi College, and by the University.

CHINA AFFAIRS AT HOME.

(From our London Correspondent.)

London, Feb. 25, 1876.

The deputation of the Anglo-Oriental Society for the suppression of the Opium Trade to the Marquis of Salisbury, to which I alluded in my last, has come off earlier than was anticipated. The Society was evidently desirous not to allow the grass to grow under its feet and seized with avidity the opportunity which was apparently offered by a bill passed in India to extend the Bengal monopoly system to wait upon the Secretary of State for India. Accordingly last Monday they appeared in tolerably full force at the India Office, headed by no less important a personage than the Earl of Shaftesbury. "Among those present," as you say in your reports, were Dr. Legge, the Rev. Mr. Turner (the Secretary of the Society), Ng Achou (interpreter of the Hongkong Police Court, and the nonce student of Law at Lincoln's Inn) and others well known in the Colony. The arguments which were advanced did not present any new feature with the exception of a remonstrance against extending the Bengal monopoly system further in India, in which protest, it had proved to be founded upon a proper apprehension of the true state of affairs, it must be confessed that the Society would have had a fair ground to go upon. But Lord Salisbury emphatically stated that the nature of the Bill first passed in India had been misstated, and that, so far as it would have any effect upon the production of Opium, it would tend rather to reduce than to increase it. The design of the measure, he assured the deputation, was only to prevent the irregular growth of opium to the injury of the revenue. He added that grave financial difficulty would be found in interfering at present with the Bengal monopoly system, but promised that the whole subject should receive the careful consideration of the Government. Of course this means exactly nothing. Any one who heard Lord George Hamilton's clever speech in the House of Commons when the matter was discussed last session—and I was present—will feel convinced, first, that the present Government at all events will not abandon the revenue derivable from opium unless they are forced to do so by public opinion, and secondly that public opinion, as represented in the House, is extremely languid on the subject, and is not likely to be roused into a definite expression in favour of the abandonment of a large amount of the Indian revenue unless it is satisfied of two things—first, that the Opium trade is as utterly condemnable as its opponents represent it to be, and secondly, that the step that the Indian Government might take in the matter would have the effect of putting down the trade; and would not result simply in our losing a large revenue without really effecting any material good. It must be admitted by the most enthusiastic opponents of the traffic that both the points are extremely doubtful. Opinion as to the pernicious-

ness of the drug is very conflicting; and it may fairly be concluded that if India ceased to export Opium to-morrow, the main result would be an increase in the production in China, or that so profitable a trade would be taken up by some other nation from some other place where the poppy could be grown. It would be impossible to take up arms against the Opium trade as against the Slave trade; and it is difficult to see how anything short of this would have the effect of suppressing it; especially as, to commence with, there seems very little chance of the Chinese making any real effort to put down the growth in their own Kingdom. For my own part, I have a very strong idea that the only effect of the agitation of the Anti-Opium Society will be to enable the Chinese to obtain a larger amount of revenue from the drug whenever the question of the revision of the Treaty may come on again. According to Sir Rutherford Alcock's statement quoted in the memorial of the deputation, they were quite willing to cease all complaint if paid 15s. 6d. a chest duty instead of 15s. 30d. Good-natured missionary gentlemen, I suspect, are worked upon by Chinese officials at Peking, and pass on their enthusiasm to the Society here, who are thus, with I admit the best intentions, being simply made the means of obtaining for the Chinese a larger revenue out of the traffic which they hope to suppress.

We have no further news with reference to the negotiations concerning the murder of Mr. Margary; but I suspect that the Government is assuming a somewhat firm attitude, and has probably instructed Mr. Wade not to put up with any evasions. Little things are sometimes stewed to show the way the wind is blowing, and it is noisable that the *Times* headed its last letter from its correspondent, "The Murder of Mr. Margary," instead of the customary heading merely of China.

A curious announcement comes from St. Petersburg, to the effect namely that the Russian Government will, in all likelihood, subsidize Russian steamers to China and India by paying them the sum they are to disburse as dues for the Canal. It is a curious way of giving a subsidy. It may perhaps be taken as a broad hint that the Canal ought to be free to all nations; and it has some significance as showing the anxiety of Russia to extend its influence in the Far East.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)

7th April, 1876.

LARCENY.

Ho Aki alias Leong Awing, coolies, were brought up for stealing the covers from some wooden tubs. The prisoner was re-recognized as having been three times in goal before. He was sent to three months' hard labour, and was warned that if he came again he would be dealt with as a habitual offender, and recommended for deportation.

A WOULD-BE SUICIDE.

Sin Anui, a married woman, was again brought up to answer the charge of attempting to kill herself by taking opium. The defendant expressed her great sorrow for what she had done, and promised not to attempt her life again. Ordered to find security in \$25 to be of good behaviour for three months.

DISEASED MEAT.

Kwok-Hing-Kee, master of a Cattle-Lan at Hollywood Road, again appeared to answer a summons taken out against him by Inspector Orley for having sent him to Government Slaughter House a bullock unfit for slaughter.

Mr. G. Sharp was called as a witness. He stated that, on the 5th inst. at 10 a.m., he noticed a bullock at Battery Road, driven westward in the direction of the Slaughter House. He judged that it was going to the Slaughter House because the man driving it had the old cloths over his arm for covering the quarters of meat after killing and dressing. He noticed that the animal was running at the nose and bleeding slightly. He stopped the animal and saw that the nostrils were swollen. He told the driver to take it to the West Point Station. He saw the Inspector and asked him to let him have the animal to take to the Central Station. This was done, and the Colonial Surgeon examined it. Witness thought it right to take out a summons, and accompanied the Inspector to the Magistrate, where the Inspector took out a summons, and requested him to be a witness.

The defendant asked the witness whether or not he had a piece of ground at West Point which he had asked him (defendant) to rent from him for the purpose of keeping cows.

Mr. Sharp replied that he did not remember having done so.

The defendant: Did you ever offer to me to rent a piece of ground?

Mr. Sharp said he did not remember making such an offer. He did not think he did, because he had no ground suitable for such a purpose.

The defendant re-asserted that Mr. Sharp had been to him two months since offering to rent a piece of ground, and that he refused the offer.

Mr. Sharp said he was now reminded of an occurrence which formed the subject of a police enquiry. It was a piece of ground which his cousin had let to some cattle-dealer.

Mr. May said he remembered the case very well.

Mr. Sharp continued, and said that he did not recollect ever offering any cattle-owners a piece of ground on which they could keep cows; he did not think he possessed ground suitable for the purpose.

The defendant said in Chinese he was certain the witness came to him and offered a piece of ground. He had even, on occasions of Public Exhibition, overtured for the rent of his ground to build the match-sheds on.

Dr. P. B. C. Ayres, Colonial Surgeon, was examined. He stated that he had examined the animal at the Central Station. The animal was suffering from cold, arising probably from exposure to the wet. It had catarrh and was running at the nose. It was also feverish. The animal was thin, but was otherwise in good condition. The animal was free from disease, and there was nothing about it which would have prevented any appearance of being unwholesome after it had been slaughtered. It was evidently in poor condition, and the meat would in all probability be other than inviting. The doctor believed that many animals must have been affected with cold

during the last few weeks, because of the recent continuous rain, and their exposure to it without shelter.

Mr. Sharp asked whether the symptoms shown in the animal were the result of prolonged exposure.

Dr. Ayres thought the exposure to the weather would naturally bring about the symptoms.

Mr. Sharp then asked if the nutritious quality of the meat would not be impaired by the exposure.

Dr. Ayres replied that undoubtedly it would be.

Mr. Sharp again asked whether, under the circumstances, decomposition would be likely to set in sooner.

Dr. Ayres replied that it would not be necessarily so.

Mr. May asked whether Mr. Sharp meant that the meat would be more speedily tainted, instead of decomposed.

Mr. Sharp said he meant tainted.

Dr. Ayres replied that he could not speak positively on the subject, but did not think the meat of the animal would become more speedily tainted because of the condition it was in.

Mr. May asked how the cattle were treated on the mainland? were they housed?

Mr. Bedell, the Court Interpreter, said they were invariably housed in the district from which he came, viz., Shuntak.

Inspector Orley said the animals, in individual cases, were housed, but in the district of Nantow, the chief mart for cattle, they were not housed, but were driven into an open enclosure. He had been there and seen it.

Mr. Sharp observed that from what he had seen of the animals here, they appeared to be fat and sound on arrival, and it was his opinion that deterioration set in after importation owing to the exposure to which they were subjected.

Mr. May said the point at issue here was a plain one, and he must confine himself to the narrow limits of the case. The Market Ordinance provided against cattle being sent to the Slaughter House in a state unfit for human food, and the question was whether the defendant sent such an animal. From the evidence of the doctor, the meat, though unwholesome, was not such as could be said to be unfit for food. It was no doubt poor meat, but some people preferred fat meat while others preferred lean meat. The public would be thankful to Mr. Sharp for having brought the case forward, but it was gratifying to find that the meat in this instance was not unfit for food. The defendant not having committed a breach of the Ordinance, the case must be discharged.

THE DISEASED MEAT QUESTION.

Yesterday we published a letter addressed by Mr. Granville Sharp to the Military Authorities in reference to the question of diseased meat, and the reply to the same. Mr. Sharp also addressed a similar letter to the Secretary to Admiral Ryder, and received the following reply:—

H.M.S. *Audacious*, Hongkong, 5th April, 1876.

SIR.—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant on the subject of diseased meat seen in the markets at this place.

I have laid the same, with the extracts from the local papers enclosed, before Vice-Admiral Ryder, Commander-in-Chief, who desires me to assure you that in his opinion the regulations of our service leave no loop-hole for the passing of indifferent fresh meat when received on board for the use of the ships' companies.

Our regulations are as follows:—

"Upon all occasions of the receipt of fresh meat on board the ship, the deliveries shall be immediately weighed by the Petty Officer of the day in the presence of the ship's steward and under the immediate superintendence of the Senior Sub-Lieutenant or midshipman of the watch, or of the Lieutenant in charge of the deck, or may be directed by the commanding officer."

The Paymaster is to consider it an essential part of his duty occasionally, and at uncertain periods, to be present at the weighing of the Beef, and at other uncertain periods, he is to be represented by an Assistant Paymaster, the dates of such presence being noted.

Thus, the ship's company are represented by the Petty Officer of the day, and far from being indifferent to quality, are only too ready to claim "their rights" as they say whenever there is the shadow of an excuse, and often without even that. This Petty Officer, with the ship's steward and a Superintending Officer inspect the meat on every occasion, and the Paymaster or Assistant Paymaster inspects it in addition occasionally, the occasion being noted, and carefully enquired for at each inspection of the ship by the Commander-in-Chief.

Any complaint of inferior quality or other defect in the meat, is met by the immediate assembly of a board of three officers, and the result necessarily comes to the Commander-in-Chief in a form established.

Any such complaint has been made since the Commander-in-Chief has been at Hongkong, and it can only be presumed therefore that the inferior meat finds some other market.

Though unable to issue any further order on the subject without reflecting on the Inspecting Officers and Petty Officers of the different ships, for which, as yet, no reason is apparent, Admiral Ryder desires me to inform you that your letter shall be sent for perusal on board all Her Majesty's ships present at Hongkong.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) T. H. L. BOWLING, Secretary to Vice-Admiral A. P. Ryder, Commander-in-Chief, China Station.

PROSPECTIVE SUGAR SUPPLIES.

(San Francisco Bulletin.)

One of the strictly commercial papers of the city seriously asserts that there is 20,000,000 lbs. Sugar due here in the next forty days from Batavia, China and the Philippine and Hawaiian Islands. As we are assured by its repetition that the statement is not a typographical blunder it is charitable

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